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SUBJ: US-CENTRAL AFRICAN EMPIRE CONSULAR CONVENTION

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1. I TOLD THE FOREIGN MINISTER JANUARY 9 THAT WE HOPED TO

MOVE AHEAD SOON WITH NEGOTIATING A CONSULAR CONVENTION. I SAID THAT WE WERE STILL DISCUSSING WITH THE DEPARTMENT SECTIONS OF THE AGREEMENT WHICH PROVIDED FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CONSULATES. SINCE THE US DOES NOT PLAN TO OPEN A SEPARATE CONSULATE IN BANGUI WE WISHED TO MAKE THIS CLEAR IN SOME FORMAL WAY. I SAID I HOPED TO HAVE A TEXT TO GIVE HIM IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

- 2. THE FOREIGN MINISTER CONFIRMED THE GOCAE'S DESIRE TO NEGOTIATE THE CONVENTION. HE MADE NO COMMENT ABOUT OUR INTENTION NOT TO OPEN A SEPARATE CONSULATE.
- 3. REQUEST DEPT CONCURRENCE IN LETTER PROPOSED REFTEL SO THAT WE CAN BEGIN PROCESS WHICH WILL LEAD TO EARLY NEGOTIATION OF CONVENTION.

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